IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE BEFORE THE BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS AND INTERFERENCES

Applicant(s): Y. KURATA, et al.

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AND METHOD OF POLISHING SUBSTRATE MEMBER

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NOTICE OF APPEAL

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

January 12, 2009

Sir:

In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §41.31, Applicants respectfully appeal from the Final rejection of claims 25-33, 35, 41, 50, 51, 56, 57, 62, 64-72 and 89-128, as set forth in Official Action mailed July 10, 2008.

The Appeal fee has previously been paid, with the Notice of Appeal filed April 4, 2005, in the above-identified application. Accordingly, it is respectfully submitted that no further fee for Notice of Appeal is required. See 35 U.S.C. §134(a).

To the extent necessary, Applicants petition for an extension of time under 37 CFR 1.136. Please charge any shortage in the fees due in connection with the filing of this paper, including extension of time fees, to Deposit Account No. 01-2135 (Case No.

1204.41191X00) and please credit any excess fees to such deposit account.

Respectfully submitted,

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